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SUBJ: PROPOSED DHEW VIST TO JAPAN

REF: UR 16440

1. DHEW APPRECIATES PREPARATORY WORK BEING DONE BY EMBASSY.

2. PROPOSED AGENDA ENTIRELY SATISFACTORY.

3. SUGGEST THAT DHEW GROUP ARRIVE TOKYO MONDAY FEB. 11, (TIME AND FLIGHT NOTIFICATION LATER). PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION AND BRIEFING AT EMBASSY TUESDAY AM. BEGIN MEETINGS WITH MHW TUESDAY PM. DHEW CONSIDERS THREE DAY AGENDA SOMEWHAT HEAVY WITH NO OPPORTUNITY FLEXIBILITY. HENCE PREFERS USE EXTRA HALF DAY.

4. GROUP WILL BE HEADED BY ALEXANDER M. SCHMIDT. M.D., COMMISSIONER FDA AND WILL INCLUDE: JOHN JENNINGS, M.D., ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER FOR MEDICAL AFFAIRS, WILLIAM F. RAN-
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DOLPH, DEPUTY ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER FOR COMPLIANCE, VIRGIL

O. WODICKA, PH.D., DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF FOODS, OF HIS STAFF.
COMPOSITION OF GROUP IS CONSIDERED SUCH THAT PROPOSED SEPARATE PARALLEL FOOD AND DRUG SESSIONS CAN BE INCLUDED.

5. ASSISTANT SECRETARY EDWARDS REGRETS UNABLE LEAD GROUP DUE TO UNANTICIPATED CONFLICT IN SCHEDULE. HE HOPES VISIT JAPAN LATER IN YEAR IF APPROPRIATE. A STAFF REPRESENTATIVE (PROBABLY DR. S. PAUL EHRLICH, DIRECTOR, OFFICE INTERNATIONAL HEALTH) WILL ACCOMPANY GROUP TO DISCUSS WITH TSUNASHIMA AND OTHERS OF MHW OTHER AREAS FOR POSSIBLE FUTURE COLLABORATION.

6. DHEW WISHES COMMENCE COLLABORATIVE ACTIVITIES IN HEALTH. OTHER AREAS MENTIONED REFTEL WILL BE DISCUSSED BY EDWARD'S REPRESENTATIVE FOR POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENT LATER.

7. DHEW WILL APPRECIATE EMBASSY ASSISTANCE OBTAINING SUITABLE ACCOMMODATION -- FIVE SINGLES. END. KISSINGER

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